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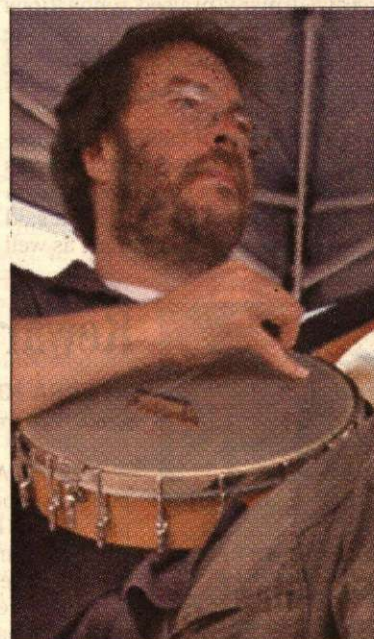


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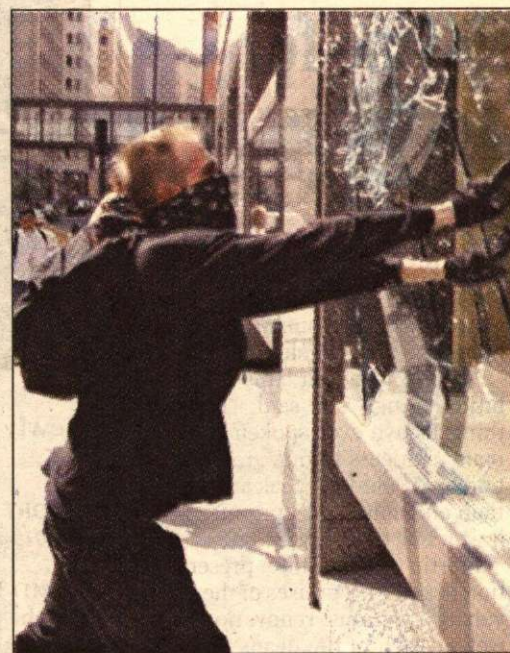
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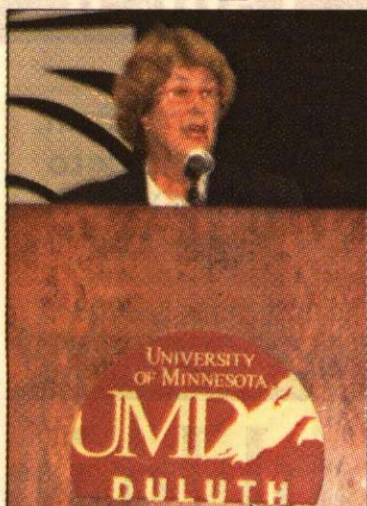


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## Chancellor Martin offers advise for success

BY SARA JOCHEMS  
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On Friday afternoon, Chancellor Kathryn A. Martin spoke in an almost packed Romano Gym to the entire 2008 freshmen class.

"I have to admit, this is a bit intimidating," she said. "I don't think I have ever spoken to this many students in one area. They told me I couldn't speak any more than one hour, and I promise you it won't be that long."

Martin's 30-minute presentation began with praises of the university's various renovations as well as each of the deans in each intercollegiate.

However, a majority of Martin's presentation included six steps the freshmen class should follow in order to become successful students and make their college experience worth while.

The first was to set a goal. Martin said that in a given semester, students should aim at taking 15 credits.

"It's okay to be taking 12-14 credits in a given semester; however set the goal for picking up those credits and stay on track," she said

Martin felt that caring about a grade point average was also important that students should not take a class and then drop it if they are doing bad.

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## Malosky Makeover



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Newly renovated Malosky Stadium includes a sky box and additional seating.

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UMD has received many praised renovations over the past decade. For UMD athletics, outside the Malosky football stadium, a new four-level building has been built for sports fans and goes to enjoy.

According to John Rashid of facilities management, the 10,000 sq. foot building contains press boxes on the fourth level and a club-level suite on the third level. The other two levels, Rashid said will contain mens and womens restrooms as well

as a retail area.

The reason for the stadium's improvements was that the university believed now was the best time for an upgrade. Prior to the press box, UMD built a new fence and ticket booth last year and artificial turf was added shortly before that, Rashid said.

The cost of this four-level addition is about \$6.5 million, and Rashid hopes will be featured at the Bulldog's first nationally televised football game on Sept. 11.

"It's a foot race," said Rashid, pertaining to meeting the first game's deadline.



COURTESY OF UNIVERSITY POLICE

Surveillance photo of a GMC Yukon believed to be involved in the theft.

## Reward offered in copper theft

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Back on April 4, university police reported stolen copper at UMD's Chester Park construction site off of West College Street. Now, there is a \$2,500 reward for anyone with information leading to an arrest.

According to the Aug. 21 press release e-mail, set out by Susan Beasy Latto, director of Public Relations, and information provided by Sgt. Sean Huls, at approximately 5 p.m. a construction trailer was broken into and new copper pipes and fittings worth \$48,204 were taken.

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# 7B primaries on Tuesday, get to know your candidates

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With the Sept. 9 primaries drawing nearer, the seven candidates hoping to fill the Minnesota District 7B legislative seat, recently vacated by Representative Mike Jaros, are scrambling to get their voices heard.

"Usually in an election as significant as choosing a new state Representative, candidates have the better part of the years to make their case," said Progressive Action President Barb Olsen, in a press release. "But because of Representative Jaros's unexpected announcement, this is a very short election of just three months."

Jaros, who had previously planned to run for the legislative seat again, and already received the Democratic Farmer and Laborer Party (DFL) endorsement, announced in June that he would not seek re-election citing both health problems and the stress of the campaign as a few reasons that influenced his decision.

His decision made the fight for the DFL seat so much more important. Jaros's retirement opened up the opportunity for a new DFL candidate to be represented in the November elections.

The five DFL hopefuls: Marsh Stenerson, Brandon Clokey, John Derbis, Roger Reinert and Daniel Maryland, are now rushing to put their campaigns together in hopes of getting the DFL endorsement after the Sept. 9 primaries.

The Republican candidate running for the 7B legislative seat is Allan Kehr and Independent hopeful Jay Coles. But for Derbis, the youngest of the DFL candidates, at age 24, and a UMD senior, the short notice had no effect on his campaign strategy.

"It actually made my campaign," said Derbis. "I don't think anyone would ever consider running against Mike. He was such an entrenched incumbent, and now with his retirement, it leaves the race wide open."

Because of the short campaign, in an effort to give Duluthians a chance to compare the candidates side by side, several forums have been put together by various area organizations to better prepare voters for the September primary election. Progressive Action held one forum on Aug. 13.

"The forums really give the public an opportunity to get to know the candidates and their positions," Olsen said via a phone interview. "Since this is such a quick race, anything that could help the voters gain traction on the candidates would help tighten the race."

According to Olsen, one of the main issues candidates are focusing on is the Red Plan, mainly because of Duluth citizens who are not able to vote on the proposal. Although the Red Plan affects mainly Duluth, Olsen said the school district decision is based on state legislation.

"Because of this, there are a lot of issues in the proposal being addressed at these forums by the candidates such as teacher cuts, expenses and desegregation issues," she said.

The forums have also made the decision easier for Progressive Action. After the forum held two weeks ago, and weighing the candidates answers, the group endorsed DFLer Stenerson for the legislative seat.

Though the legislative position is based out of West Duluth, most of the decisions including the Red Plan would be made on a statewide interest level.

"The candidates are running for a statewide office so they are making decisions based on what's best for the state instead of just Duluth," said Jamie Ebert, a senior at UMD and co-chair of the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG). "But at the same time, there aren't a lot of issues specific to Duluth that aren't problems for the rest of the Minnesota."

Issues, Ebert said, include affordable education, health care and the economy.

For Derbis, if he received the DFL endorsement, things would be a little different.

"I want to focus on Duluth," he said. "In the House of Representatives, the metro area is already heavily represented. What you ultimately want to focus on is making sure that we are advocating for Duluth in a responsible way, but at the same time, making sure your decisions are what's best for the state."

A DFL office forum will be held Sept. 4. For more information on the District 7B elections, or Progressive Action, please go to [www.progaction.org](http://www.progaction.org).

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"You should be willing to spend time, develop study patterns and put energy into getting good grades," she said. "If you came to college to binge drink, you might as well leave tomorrow. You will be saving your parents and selves a lot of money."

Martin stressed the importance of making good friends not only among students within a given major, but also floor mates, faculty, staff and advisors; there's a need for a support system.

This support system can also be found in clubs, organizations and intramural sports teams, according to Martin, all of which are crucially important.

Above all, Martin said that evolving as students is important.

"Read, complete assignments and ask questions," she said. "You already know the answer to old questions, but learning logic and thought processes for new questions is what we need. You are the future, and together, we can build a better world."

A better world in which Martin emphasized was possible because of the vast security improvements the university has made since the Virginia Tech and other campus shootings around the country.

Martin talked about the 50 tone alert radio systems that are spread sporadically throughout campus and are tested the first Wednesday of every month.

She also talked about the effective Clear TXT system the university has used over the past couple of years.

"This system sends out an emergency text message to all students who decide to give the university their phone numbers," Martin said. "A monthly text message is also sent to make sure the system is still working."

Lastly, Martin talked about smoking and its safety hazards.

"UMD is a non-smoking campus. Right now it is a policy based on a system of trust," she said. "Either go off campus and smoke or stop altogether. It's not good for you or anyone else. Besides, you will be making it more pleasant to walk through the UMD doors and not a cloud of smoke."

# RNC protests turn ugly

**A mounted police officer walks with protesters during a rally at the Republican National Convention in St. Paul, Minn., Monday, Sept. 1, 2008.**

**From front: A protestor smashes a window in St. Paul near the Xcel Energy Center.**



AP PHOTO

ST. PAUL, Minn. AP — Protesters attacked delegates, smashed windows, punctured car tires and threw bottles Monday, a violent counterpoint to an otherwise peaceful antiwar march at the Republican National Convention. Police wielding pepper spray arrested at least 256 people.

The trouble happened not far from the Xcel Energy Center convention site, and many of those involved in the more violent protest were clad in black and identified themselves to reporters as anarchists. They wrought havoc by damaging property and setting at least one fire. Most of the trouble was in pockets of a neighborhood near downtown, several blocks from where the convention was taking place.

But the main antiwar march was peaceful,

police said, estimating about 10,000 people participated. Late Monday afternoon, long after the antiwar marchers had dispersed, police requested and got 150 Minnesota National Guard soldiers to help control splinter groups near downtown.

Members of the Connecticut delegation said they were attacked by protesters when they got off their bus near the Xcel Center, KMSP-TV reported. Delegate Rob Simmons told the station that a group of protesters came toward his delegation and tried to rip the credentials off their necks and sprayed them with a toxic substance that burned their eyes and stained their clothes.

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One 80-year-old member of the delegation had to be treated for injuries, and several other delegates had to rinse their eyes and clothing, the station reported.

Of the arrestees, 119 faced possible felony charges, authorities said.

At least four journalists were among those detained, including Associated Press photographer Matt Rourke and Amy Goodman, host of Democracy Now!, a nationally syndicated public radio and TV news program. Goodman was intervening on behalf of two producers for her program, Sharif Abdel Kouddous and Nicole Salazar, when she was arrested, said Mike Burke, another producer.

St. Paul police spokesman Tom Walsh said Rourke was held on a gross misdemeanor riot charge. Goodman was arrested on a misdemeanor charge, Ramsey County sheriff's spokeswoman Holli Drinkwine said. Neither Walsh nor Drinkwine had information on the other two journalists.

The anti-war march was organized by a group called the Coalition to March on the RNC and Stop the War, whose leaders said they hoped for a peaceful, family-friendly event. But police were on high alert after months of preparations by a self-described anarchist group called the RNC Welcoming Committee, which wasn't among the organizers of the march.

"Unfortunately today, a very small handful of individuals decided to break the law, damage property and put people's safety at risk," Mayor Chris Coleman said.

About 180 protesters who weren't part of the march caused trouble, St. Paul Police Chief John Harrington said.

Ramsey County Attorney Susan Gaertner said she expected her office to consider charges, including possible felonies, on Tuesday against those arrested. She said she couldn't speculate on how long they would be

held before having a chance to post bail.

Protesters, many who were dressed all in black and covered their faces with bandanas or gas masks, broke windows, tipped over newspaper boxes, pulled trash bins into the street, threw bottles, bent rearview mirrors on a bus, flattened tires and attempted to block intersections by joining hands.

Some protesters were seen lying on an interstate exit ramp to block traffic in downtown St. Paul and linking arms to block other roads.

At one point, people pushed a trash bin filled with trash and threw garbage in the streets and at cars. They also took down orange detour road signs. One of them used a screwdriver to puncture the back tire of a limousine waiting at an intersection and threw a wooden board at the vehicle, denting its side. Another hurled a glass bottle at a charter bus that had stopped at an intersection. The bottle smashed into pieces but didn't appear to damage the bus.

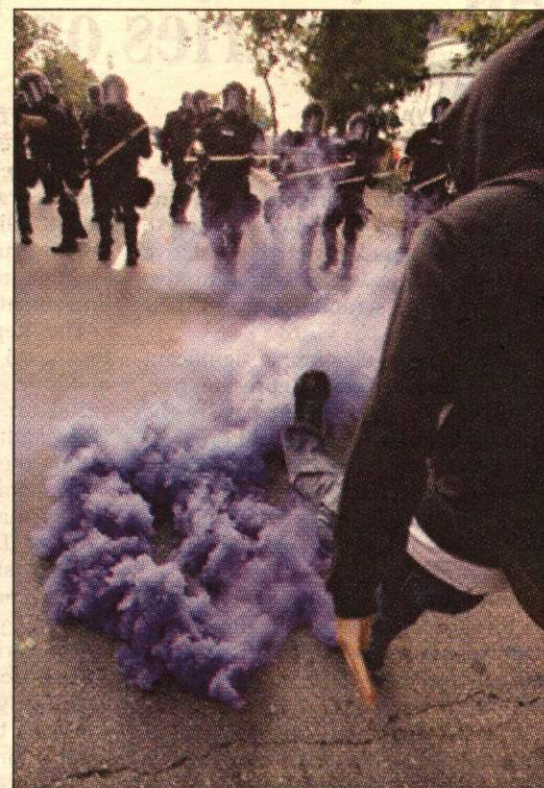
After the official march ended, police spent hours dispersing smaller groups of protesters, employing officers on horses, smoke bombs and pepper spray.

Protesters put eye drops in each other's eyes after police used chemical irritants such as pepper spray and tear gas. Some wore bandanas and masks to protect themselves.

Terry Butts, a former Alabama Supreme Court justice who is a convention delegate, was on a bus taking delegates to the arena when a brick through the window sprayed glass on him and two others. Butts said he wasn't hurt.

"It just left us a little shaken," he said. "It was sort of a frightening moment, because it could have been a bomb or a Molotov cocktail."

Organizers of the antiwar march had hoped 50,000 people would turn out for the march. One of the largest rallies in the Twin Cities in recent history was a 2006 immigration rights protest in Minneapolis that drew about 35,000



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**A protester kicks a smoke bomb during a protest at the Republican National Convention in St. Paul, Minn., Monday, Sept. 1, 2008.**

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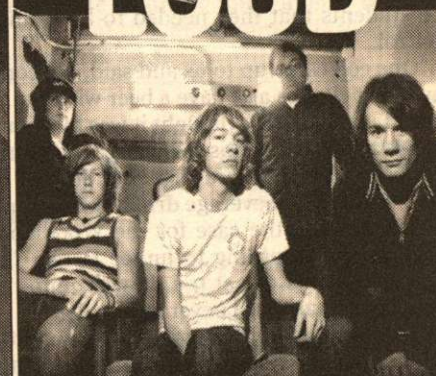
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## Woodland Avenue welcoming ceremonies

### Students take to the streets to greet incoming freshmen

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Thursday, Aug. 28, an estimated 80 percent of the roughly 2,200 incoming freshmen moved in to the university community. As they drove by with their families, UMD upper classmen took to Woodland Avenue, to carry out the unofficial and sometimes controversial welcoming ceremonies.

"It's tradition. We've been doing this three-years running now and even re-use the signs," said senior Todd Archer as Krysta Litherland touched-up the "We salute Duluth PD" sign with a big white heart at the end of it.

The sign has drawn attention from the officials themselves. University and Duluth police reminded the students that they needed to keep things under control.

"One cop came up to us and said, 'I'll come back in my street clothes and have a beer with you,'" said junior Mark Alan. "We thought it was hilarious. He also told us as long as it was in the yard, we were good."

Archer and Alan said that they started their lawn chair sitting and beverage drinking at around noon.

This was not the case for the Woodland house a block away. According to junior Derek Clemmings, their house was out at 9 a.m. welcoming the freshmen, lawn chairs and beverages in hand.

Visitors of all kinds made their way to the household: upper classmen, friends and even Duluth News Tribune photographers, came for some photos.

What surprised the juniors was after shouting across the street at one man and asking him for a beverage, he willingly walked across the street to talk.

"He told us he was moving in his daughter today, and that she was going to be a nun," said junior Tylper Graupmann, laughing and pointing to the sign displayed in their yard: "You've been her daddy for 18 years, now it's our turn."

The juniors recalled another dad saying to keep their hands off his virgin daughter.

Sure enough, three girls walking across the street with plastic UMD bags and purses saw the boys and after some coersion, walked over to talk to the junior boys.

"But we're not freshmen," one of the sophomore girls said. "That's okay," Clemmings said. "It still looks good, and we're out here waving and having a good time."



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Sophomore girls and junior business majors pose in front of the boys' welcoming sign.



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Upper classmen showing their support for the Duluth Police Department with a sign.



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# Mandatory scramble not a problem for freshmen

Hundreds of UMD students gathered in Griggs Field Saturday to kick-off the year with the Bulldog Scramble where students got to know each other through various activities.

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The scramble was just one of the many events lined up for this year's Bulldog Bash, which, for the first time, was made mandatory for all incoming freshmen. However, students did not seem to mind attending the activities.

The Scramble began with students breaking up into groups of three and getting to know one another. Their goal was to find as many things in common with each other as possible.

"I got to know a lot of people," said freshman Joe Akey. "It was an opportunity to do stuff with lots of people, and it was really fun."

The Scramble continued with more activities, including linking arms into chains, sitting on each others knees in a circle and dancing around while linked back-to-back. The goal of these activities was to allow students to get to know each other and to strengthen the UMD community.

There was even an activity where students got to be the "boss" of other students, giving each other commands for random activities to raise the level of fun and excitement.

"I liked the boss activity," said freshman Kalli Friedt. "I had to punch someone in the stomach, and I told someone else to rub a bald man's head."

A common goal in the Scramble was finding things that students had in common with each other. This was done by several one-on-one activities, small group activities and large group activities.

"It was fun learning about each other," said freshman Sam Seery. "You had things to talk about, and it was easy to get to know each other."

Overall, the event was received successfully.

"The orientation leaders and everybody were all really energetic," said freshman Raechel Olson. "They really got us involved, and nobody was left out."

Friedt and Olson both agreed that the Bulldog Scramble is an event that should continue at UMD.

The Scramble ended with "Freddy," the speaker who conducted the activities, speaking the message he wanted students to get out of all of this fun:

"Celebrate yourself and others, because without all of you, this community would not be the same."

# Helpful tips that can transform your dorm

**BY SHANA SECORY**

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With multiple trips to Linens and Things, Bed, Bath and Beyond and Target, it can be chaotic to buy things for the dorm room, especially when you are at a new school and in a new living space that is completely foreign to you. But luckily there are people all around UMD that are willing to help.

First off, there are the past UMD freshmen who are very familiar with the living spaces and how to survive dorm life. For instance, UMD junior Linda Gokee-Rindal claims that it is important for freshmen to have microwaves and coffee pots especially for those early morning classes.

"If you get sick of the DC, a microwave is incredibly important" she said.

Just as small appliances are a necessity to any dorm room, so is the décor

that makes one's room his or her own. Gokee-Rindal said that when she was a freshman, a lot of her friends used Christmas lights to decorate. But as someone come to find, decorating a dorm room goes far beyond the hanging holiday lights.

For example, a couple employees at the Duluth Target said that a lot of UMD students buy decorating supplies from Target. Elissa Lukes, UMD senior and cashier for Target, told me that she has seen a lot of people buy the three door storage crates, which can help with organizing smaller things. Lukes also said that it is important to have a rug in the dorm, because the floor can get kind of chilly.

Another Target cashier and UMD junior Andrea Unverzagt said, "I heard that hangers are the most popular back-to-school item this fall at Target."

This comes as no surprise since Tar-

get now offers pink, blue and brown hangers alongside the classic white.

But if you can't make the trip to Target, there are even decorating things that you can buy in our own UMD stores. UMD sophomore and student employee at the UMD school store Kayla O'Connell said that everyone buys the sweatpants, sweatshirts and lanyards the first couple weeks, but that there are also some decorating supplies that are available.

"The UMD store has picture frames that are really cool, and if you are a sports fan, we have huge bulldog posters," O'Connell said.

Along with using posters to plaster up any dorm wall and cover the simple white wash, there are other tactics as well. For example, Olivia Golden and Claire Blohm, both sophomores at UMD, said that they use mirrors on the walls to make a room look bigger.

It is also really important to have something like a white board on the outside of your door, because it is a great communication tool with people that may be walking by.

"If you put up 'watching the 'Hills' at 9!' on your door, people that like that show will just stop by and watch it with you," said Golden.

This week may seem stressful with moving in and decorating your room, but if you relax and make it fun, it won't be such a pain. Just remember to listen to the tips that other people share with you because there is a lot of learning to be done as a freshman.

"Try to make friends with your neighbors and keep your door open, because it is definitely possible to go a whole year without meeting anyone, so make it easy on yourself and make new friends," Gokee-Rindal said.



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### OUR VOICE: EDITORIAL

## A community outraged

Last Friday, the last day of my internship at the Duluth News Tribune was a somewhat of a controversial day for the organization. The controversy was caused by a picture of UMD students standing on their deck in swimsuits, drinking alcoholic beverages.

From my desk, I listened to news assistants, reporters and editors alike fielding calls on the picture. Curious about what the big deal was, I read comments about the picture posted online.

All in all, the community was mostly outraged for two reasons. One, the fact that the people in the pictures were in their swimsuits. Two, because they were drinking what appeared to be alcoholic beverages (Online picture showed more than the paper version, the picture in the paper showed one drink that could be identified as containing alcohol.)

Readers said they were disgusted by the picture: How could the paper show so much skin? Hope these people never go to beach, watch Olympic beach volleyball or go to any public area on a hot day.

It seems whenever students are shown in the Community some sort of complaint is generated. If they would have shown a student in the library quietly studying, someone would have called in complaining saying they have a college neighbor that never studies and the picture was misrepresentative of the college community.

The very image of college students generates negative feelings in this community, which is partially our fault. As students, we need to be our own ambassadors, as well as ambassadors for our university. Get to know your non-college neighbors. After all, if they know you and see you drinking on the porch, they might join you, instead of resent you.

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## Chancellor Martin welcomes new and returning students

### Exciting time to be a UMD student

Dear Students,

On behalf of the UMD community, I would like to welcome new students to campus as well as welcome back returning students. It is an exciting time to be a UMD student, and we are proud of all the opportunities that await you this year.

The new building for the Labovitz School of Business and Economics is now open, and ground was broken this summer for the new Civil Engineering building. While it can be frustrating to maneuver around the construction sites, we appreciate your understanding as the campus continues to grow and to improve to meet the

high standards that you expect and deserve.

We hope that you take advantage of all the educational and cultural opportunities available to you, as well as the recreational advantages that come from living near Lake Superior. Our faculty and staff remain dedicated to your success.

We are very proud of the achievements of our students. Each year, I bring the good news of your successes to UMD alumni across the country. These accomplished alumni were once students like you, and they know that your time as a UMD student will be well spent as you prepare for your new career.

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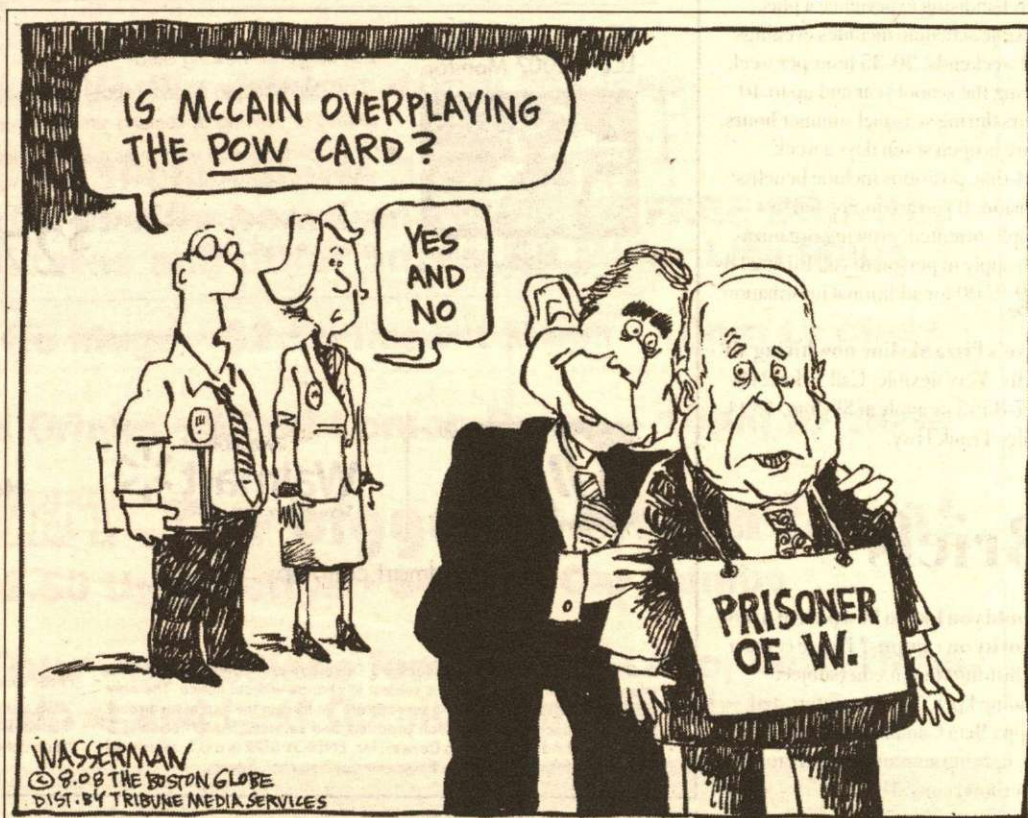
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continue to excel, with the Bulldogs taking the football field against Southwest Minnesota State University during a nationally televised game on Thursday, Sept. 11. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. in the renovated Malosky Stadium, which sports a new look this season. Join us as we fill the stands for this season's home opener and show off the campus to a national audience.

Again, welcome to campus. UMD is indeed a Great University on a Great Lake!

Kathryn A. Martin  
Chancellor

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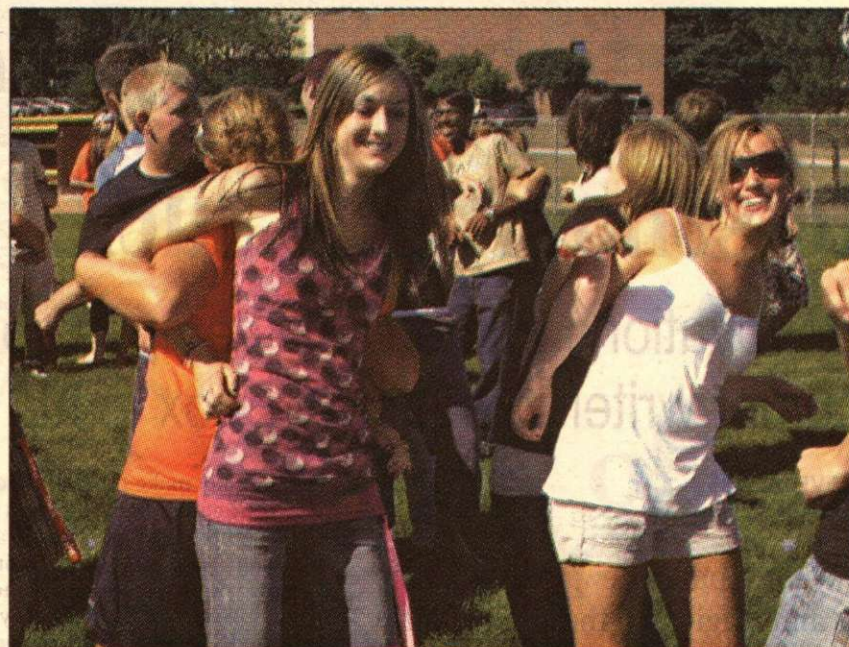
Bulldog Bash, hot dogs, new student move-in, the scramble ... remember it? A lot of you probably don't remember a thing since you didn't even attend the previously optional new student experiences. Though, this year's group of freshmen are certain to remember it whether they want to or not. Welcome Week this year is mandatory for all incoming freshmen.

Welcome Week, as some of you remember or have heard about during the course of your time here at UMD, is there to help acclimate and introduce students to their new home away from home. Most, if not all, new students haven't experienced an atmosphere or freedom like they're now going to experience and are in need of a little direction during their first few weeks on campus. Welcome Week allows students to meet new acquaintances so they already recognize someone at the first party they attend later that night. Shhh ... that's not what happens at Welcome Week.

All in all, Welcome Week is a good experience for incoming freshmen and serves a good purpose on our campus

and many others around the nation. As incoming freshmen are inducted into a much larger, more populated environment with much more freedom and responsibility, it's easy to get side-tracked during your first, most influential weeks on campus.

As I remember it, Welcome Week was aimed at incoming college students yet it didn't seem to catch my attention as well as I would have hoped. Some of the events were more aimed at what I felt would have fit incoming high school students and not incoming freshmen adults. In order to make Welcome Week a successful experience for both students and faculty, it needs to be reviewed and adapted to fit a new generation of students. Since not every student or group of students are going to entertain the same beliefs, culture and identity as the previous classes of students, Welcome Week would be more beneficial with adjustments and feedback from new students as well as upperclassmen and faculty. Welcome Week should be fun and partially informative, since it will contain many of the students' first experiences of their college career and will serve partly as a prelude guide to both networking and exploring campus activities. Making



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Two freshmen girls enjoying an event at last year's Bulldog Bash.

Welcome Week mandatory is a good decision if Welcome Week will be monitored and changed accordingly and appropriately to best benefit the students. With my experiences from participation

as a new student and a volunteer during the events, I feel the events are under good management and will continue to serve new students well into the future.

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## Back to business, back to school; this sucks

Renovations to the UMD campus spur humor writer to add a sky box to his house

STEVE JACOBS

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Well another new year is upon us and magic is in the air blah blah blah rainbows, unicorns. Vehicular constipation is again introduced to 21st Street and freshmen are playing "follow the leader" with brightly colored helpers every where.

The use of these colored freshie "bulldog" crew leader t-shirts escapes me, however, as it has been proven in leading studies that fresh men are only capable of seeing in black and white. If you have any contradictory evidence to that point, I furthermore challenge you to present it. And no, "shut up" is not acceptable argument, unless of course, I'm making it.

The other fun reminder that the year is kicking off right is the cluster@%&! of bonfires, parties and general laze-about popping up once more. Extra classy signs like "U honk, we drink" are back in use as well. There is truly no expression greater than that which can be found with a chunk of cardboard, a sharpie and a pitcher of one's favorite drink (probably just Keystone, though).

Now with that said, I may have honked at said signs ... repeatedly.

To shift gears and prove that everything is just more "business as usual," I'd like to direct everyone's attention to the giant forehead being erected on the new stadium. It looks like a real winner of brick, glass and bulldog spirit.

It will really make the game more enjoyable to watch when the stadium is less packed from its average half-capacity crowd (all those empty bleachers were quite constricting).

Now you can enjoy the game even more by watching it from father away, the way God intended. I've heard some noise about one reason for the construction being that there is an upcoming game that will be nationally televised and, well, having a big eyesore ... err ... masterpiece like that to show would really make the university look good.

To that I say, "Hey great, but wait, why don't we televise the looming parking nightmare for the occupants of Stadium Apartments that will surely ensue." After all, good television needs tension.

I've been doing some hard thinking recently, and I've decided to put a sky box on my house. I mean, why not? It would really improve the property value, and I'm sure the landlord would be most appreciative. Also, the stadium is somewhat visible from my house, which only leads me to believe that my house might be somewhat visible from the stadium.

If a wide camera angle catches my roof and upstairs, I'd be mortified if all that America saw was this dump in its current state. Besides I think Home Depot makes a kit for that anyway.

So there you have it, another fine day dawns on the illustrious educational paragon known as UMD, and with this day, not much has changed. Students are arriving at a magical new place for the first time; friends are being made; experiences are being had and grillin' in the backyard as well as key university decision making are both still done with a six-pack in hand (and another empty one on the floor).



## LETTERS TO PEOPLE

Dear Stork,

Rumor has it you're going to be dropping by my house in a few months. That's cool, I think I'm ready. I haven't read any books or anything, but with my extensive knowledge of "Full House," "Boy Meets World" and "Family Matters," I figure I'm ready for just about anything.

Okay, maybe not anything. Like putting together the crib ... we got it for free from some friends, and it doesn't have any screws or instructions and whatnot so that'll be a phone call to Dad. Or the whole "never changed a diaper in my life" issue ... that'll be a call to Mom.

Anyway Stork, I'm getting a bit off topic here. I just wanted to talk to you about the whole delivery process. As far as "the package" goes boy/girl you go ahead and take your pick, just not you know, like quintuplets or anything. My main concern is the due date. You see, the day after my beautiful wife is scheduled to deliver, I've got a Nine Inch Nails concert to be at. So if you can just make sure the birth and the show don't occur at the same time, that'd be great. I have a feeling the whole "you missed the birth of our first child" might be used against me.

Expectantly yours,

Eric Simon

## TOPTEN

Objectives John McCain has planned for the Republican National Convention

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10. Address the punk kids and what he plans to do about their loud music
9. Get to Perkins in time for the early bird special
8. Talk about how in his day he had to walk 15 miles, uphill both ways just to get to school
7. Get back to the hotel room in time for "Matlock" every night he's in Minneapolis
6. Remember the name of his running mate
5. Map out all of the bathrooms so he will always know where the closest one is
4. Take a nap
3. Call to see if he is pre-qualified for a Power Chair or Hover Round at absolutely no cost to him
2. Check out long-care retirement facilities in Minneapolis that will allow him to spend winters in Arizona and summers in Minnesota
1. Cheat death for five more days

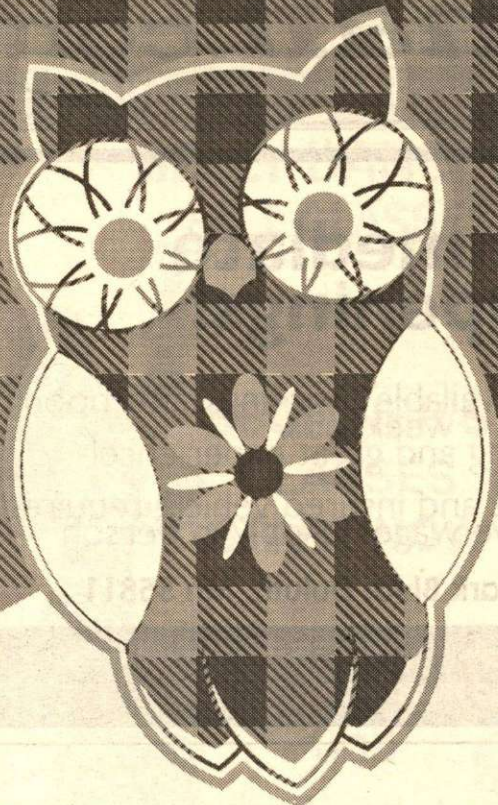
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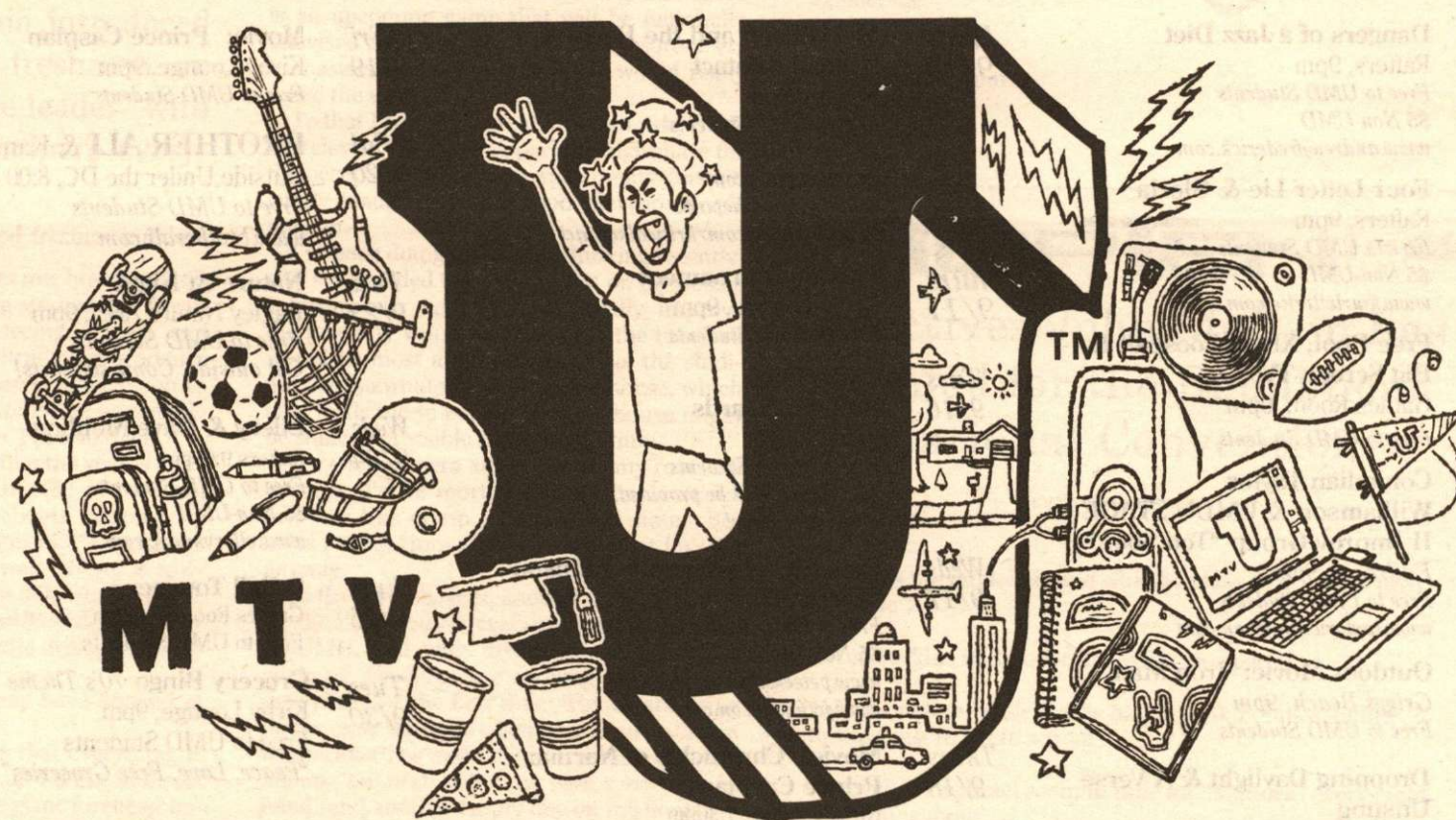
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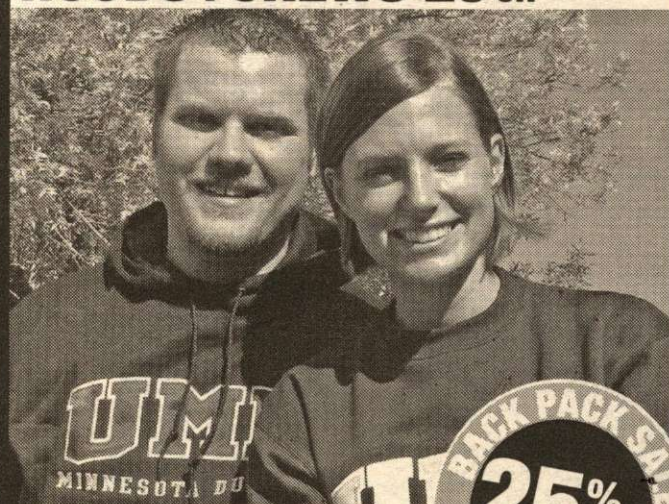
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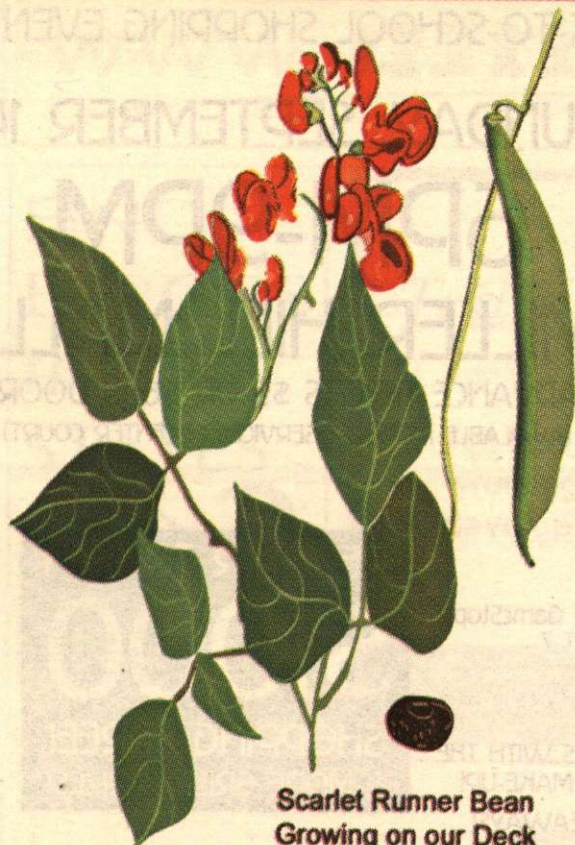


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# Market Day grows with every year

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Heaps of organic fresh produce, jars of homemade jam and honeys and Patty Pan summer squash. These are some of the things you might find at the Market Day in the Plaza at UMD every Wednesday. And that's just the food.

"This year we added art vendors," said Teri Glembin, marketing coordinator for UMD Bookstores.

Along with the growing farmer's market, shoppers can find jewelry makers, a glass blower, herbal soaps and holistic remedies, fresh cut flowers, homemade cards and photo prints, baked goods, a meat vendor and a regularly scheduled musical guest each week.

"I love it," said last Wednesday's musical guest Charlie Parr. "It's nice to play outside with all of these cool vendors around."

Musical guests this summer have ranged from Celtic to bluegrass to folk to jazz.

Kathy McTavish, a composer and improvisational cellist, will be performing at today's market, followed by Dangers of Jazz Diet on Sept. 10.

When Glembin first started at UMD three years ago, she noticed the farmer's market, a part of the Lake Superior Sustainable Farmers Association, taking place under the Dining Center (DC) and the idea for a market day was born.

"We saw the opportunity for it. We added music and brought it to the [Kirby] plaza area. We bought tables and chairs and tried to make it a great area," she said.

Fresh flowers, produce and handwork sat at Charles Bunker's stand.

"This is his way of making a living," said JoAn Peterson, Bunker's mother. "This isn't just a hobby."

Bunker, of Superior, Wis., sells his goods at three different farmer's markets a week.

People of the campus and community often attend the Market Day every week. Community calendars, posters and most importantly, word of mouth advertise the event.

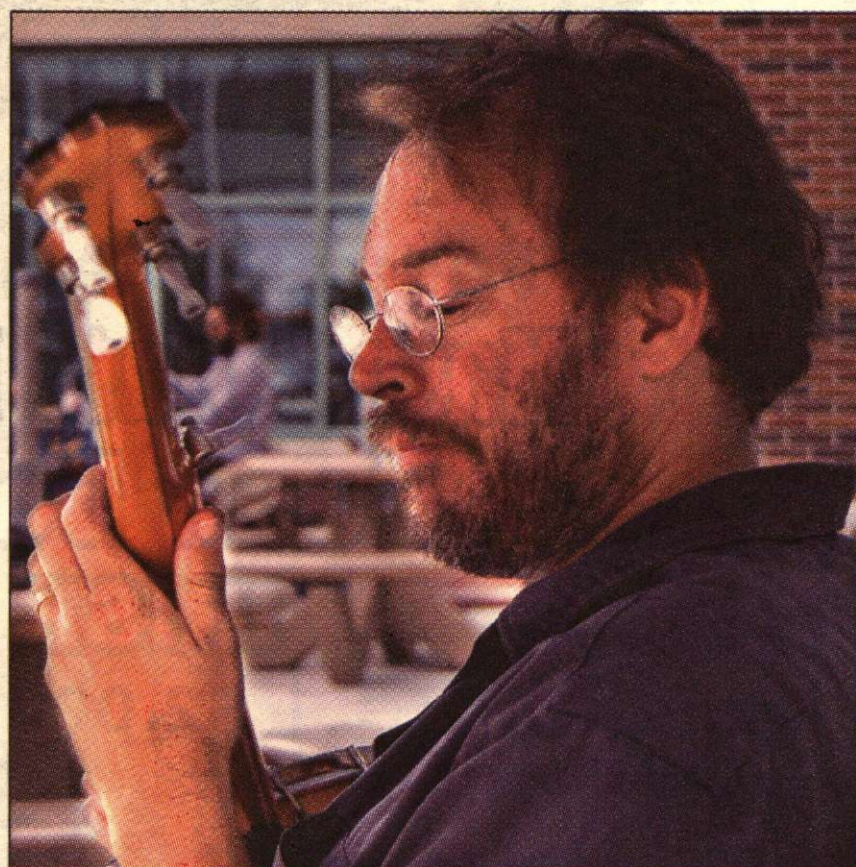
That's how UMD freshman Becca Radtke and sophomore Mandy Gagnon came to the market.

"We were just looking for books at the bookstore, and we saw a poster," said Gagnon.

The Market has been running every Wednesday in the Kirby Plaza from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. since mid-May and will continue till the end of September. With only four market days left this month, Glembin has high hopes.

"I just hope it keeps growing," she said.

And as grey storm clouds loomed over the market, Glembin was sure to add that the market will be held inside or outside, rain or shine.



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**Above:** Charlie Parr plays outside of UMD last Wednesday. were taken.



**Right:** Peggy Sobczak displays her fresh produce and flowers.

**Left:** Jes Durfee gives a demonstration of his hand blown glass crafts. Here he creates a piece using an Italian twisting technique.





# LNK and KPBB bring the noise

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Students are gearing up for another academic year, but the Kirby Student Center is ready to amp up the entertainment.

A part of the Kirby Student Center, the Kirby Program Board (KPB) and Late Night Kirby (LNK) teamed up to bring students another part of the college experience: free concerts, movies, guest speakers and student music.

"The plan for the year is to provide things to do on campus with accessible, balanced and fun entertainment for all students," said Paul Strommer, LNK manager.

LNK will continue providing favorite events like Grocery Bingo, Arts and Crafts Nights, and new this year, LNK will be teaming up with Recreational Sports Outdoor Program (RSOP) for an outdoor event every third Tuesday of the month.

The first event is called Nature at Night, which is a free late night guided hike through the Bagley Nature Center.

"You are able, as a student, to come and be active. These [events] are not just for freshman," said Strommer.

Likewise, the KPB will also be putting on a variety of lectures, concerts and movies throughout the year.

"We are a student organization that allows students to provide their peers with entertainment beyond the usual forums on campus with a diverse form of mediums and topics," said Nathan Guimont, KPB coordinator.

These diverse mediums include different lectures ranging from topics of politics, to Facebook and MySpace use to sex education. The KPB also puts the biggest concerts on campus each year from Taking Back Sunday to the Presidents of the United States of America to Yellowcard to Ben Folds.

"The [Ben Folds] concert brought lots of excitement, we started a whole new week of events because of it," said Jillian Raymond, the KPB coordinator for 2007-2008. "The ticket sales were good. It was

definitely a positive event."

One head-lining act LNK is bringing to campus in September is Brother Ali, a hip-hop artist from Minneapolis, Minn., on Sept. 20 at 8 p.m. under the Dining Center.

Also, by popular demand, the KPB shows a movie in the Kirby Student Lounge twice a month. The shown movies have just recently been in the theaters and haven't been released to rent or buy yet.

"These are what the students request and that's what we bring," said Guimont.

Both groups make it a point to provide free and fun entertainment to the students. This is possible because they are funded through the student service fee.

All students pay the student service fee at the beginning of each semester. The collected funds are then allocated to student groups who use it to provide student activities, programs and services as a supplement to the academic experience. The amount of money given depends on the group's criteria and monetary need, according to the UMD Web site.

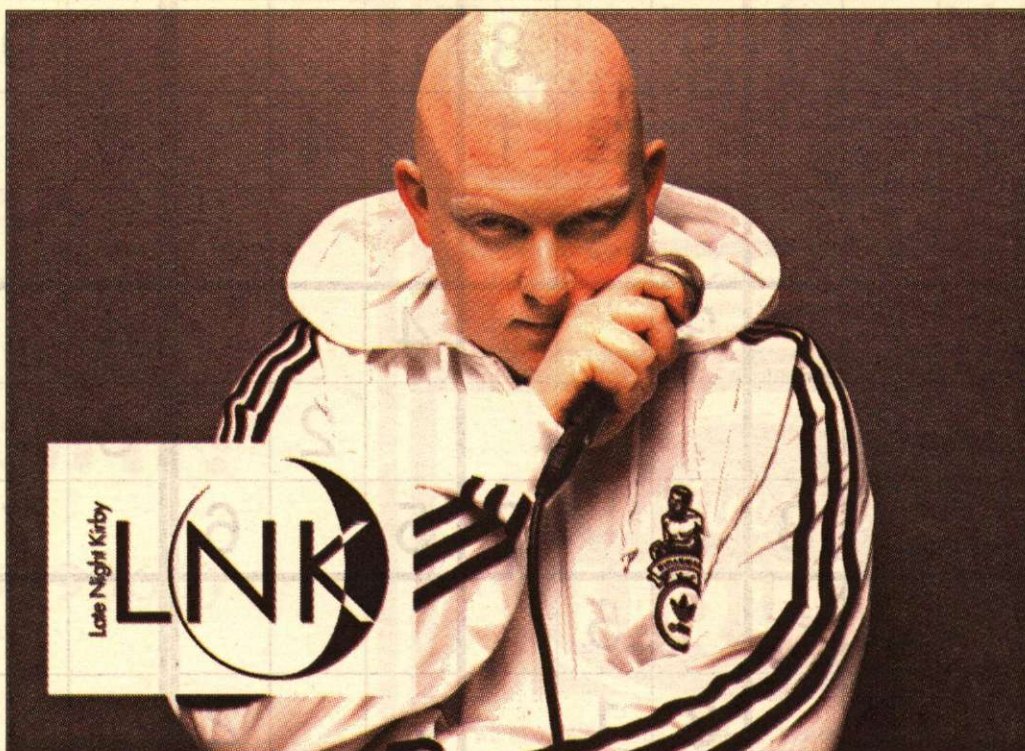
"These activities are meant for all students. We are using the student service fee to try and produce entertainment for the entire student class ... and we put on events we think they'll enjoy," said Strommer.

Students may wonder or not know why the KPB and LNK are two separate groups.

"We are growing in our collaboration, because we shouldn't and don't want to be competing. We have the same mission," said Guimont. "We are trying to entertain and give an experience beyond the classroom."

Guimont went on to say that the two groups would continue to co-host events and are in the works of becoming a single entity.

For the most up-to-date schedule of KPB and LNK events of concerts, open-mic nights, comedians, lectures and more, visit their Web sites at <http://www.d.umn.edu/~kirbypb/> and <http://www.d.umn.edu/~kirby/latenight/>.



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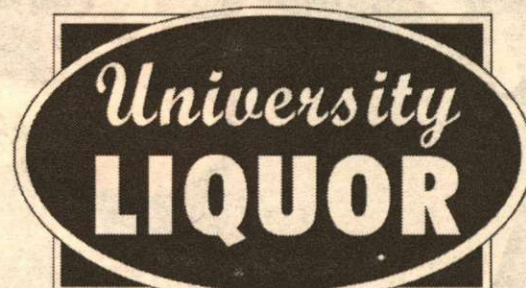
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## Outdoors enthusiasts can find everything they need in Duluth

BY RYAN HANSON  
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There's nothing quite like running through the waves on a perfect day, wetsuit on, friends in tow, diving headfirst onto a surfboard and paddling out into the surf, waiting for that perfect wave. If this sounds like a trip to one of the coasts to do some ocean surfing, think again. Many people have made surfing on Lake Superior a new favorite pastime.

One of the things that make Duluth and the North Shore so unique is the abundant activities that the area has to offer. Maybe you don't own a surfboard, or you'd like to go camping, but don't have the gear, a car or a place anywhere to go. That's where the UMD Recreational Sports and Outdoors Program (RSOP) located in the Sports and Health Center, can come in handy to students looking to explore the outdoors and the many activities that make the area unique.

The RSOP offers everything from intramural sports, including football, softball, ultimate frisbee, volleyball and dodgeball to a Devil's Tower camping/hiking/climbing trip at the end of September. They also offer localized training in kayaking and canoeing, as well as a climbing and bouldering wall and a full workout facility.

If you're looking to take a trip, but are short on gear, the RSOP also offers a variety of rental equipment to students. They offer rentals from tents, camp stoves, backpacks, sleeping bags and GPS units to ice skates, cross country skis and snow shovels. While all do require fees, most are minimal and easily affordable even for the student on a budget.

Many of the activities the RSOP offers do require an additional fee, but much of what students use on a day-to-day basis is included in enrollment at UMD. Access to the weight room, jogging track, tennis courts, cardio room, fieldhouse and ice rink are included in the enrollment fee of any full-time student, and that includes one free week of any group classes. After the first week, students must purchase a group fitness pass.

So whether you're looking to spend an afternoon in the gym, running and lifting weights, going for a leisurely climb or maybe taking a kayaking trip, the UMD RSOP is the place for all your outdoor needs. Be sure to check out their Web site at [www.umdrsp.org](http://www.umdrsp.org) for more outdoor opportunities, equip-

ment rentals and programs.

### Activities:

**Climbing Open House:** Stop down and check out the UMD Climbing Walls on Wednesday, Sept. 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. and get some free ice cream along with free climbing.

**Free Fitness Bouldering:** Bouldering is climbing close enough to the ground that ropes aren't needed for safety. It's considered a great way to cross train, and anyone with a climbing pass can boulder for free during Fitness Bouldering Hours.

Monday – Friday 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday Noon to 3:00 p.m.

**Kayaking in the Pool and Club Membership:** Try kayaking out for the first time or brush up on your skills in the UMD pool from the UMD Kayak and Canoe Club. The club offers membership and events throughout the year, and all kayak and canoe events are free or discounted for members.

Sept. 4 – Dec. 11

Monday 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday 9 to 11 p.m.

All that's needed is a swimsuit and towel. First session is free.

**Superior Bay Harbor Tour:** The tour includes the mouth of the St. Louis River, Park Point, Hearing Island and a view of wildlife native to Lake Superior.

Wednesday, Sept. 17 and 24, 6 to 9 p.m.

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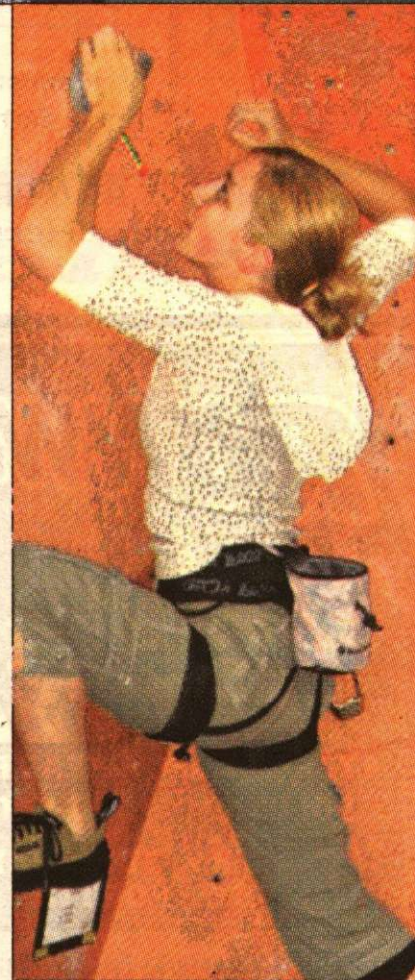
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**Climb Devil's Tower, Wyoming:** Devil's Tower National Monument in Wyoming is a widely recognizable landmark and has a long history of rock climbing. The trip involves camping at the base of the tower, and intermediate rock climbing skills are required.

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**Top Left:** Climber matches on sloper to ascend this Duluth boulder.

**Top Right:** Perfecting rolls with the help of another paddler in the UMD pool during Canoe and Kayak Club session.

**Above:** Student Katie Berg practices bouldering on the North Shore Wall at UMD.



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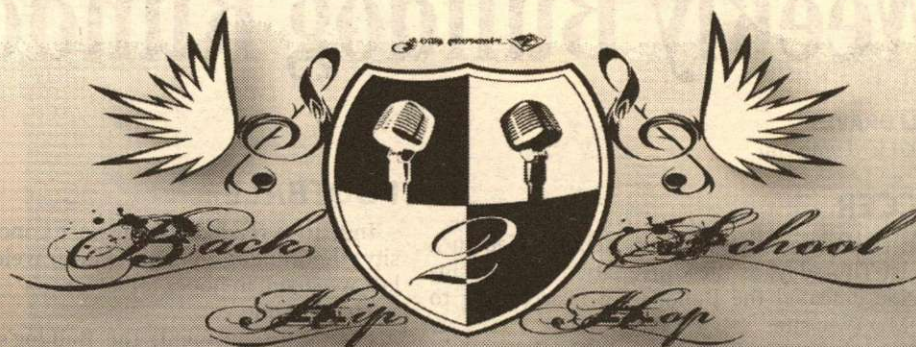
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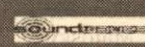
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## Volleyball team dominates in tournament

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The No. 8 volleyball team in the country took off to Michigan this past weekend for the Ferris State tournament.

On Friday, the Bulldogs took on Wheeling Jesuit University and Hillsdale College. The Bulldog's also faced Mercyhurst College and the host Ferris State on Saturday.

Wheeling Jesuit got the first taste of Duluth right away on Friday, with the Bulldogs beating them in four games, according to the UMD Web site.

Freshman Hannah Johnson had 13 kills, while senior Lindsey Clairmont, junior Sarah Wyffels and sophomore Alyssa Nelson had seven kills apiece, according to the UMD Web site.

The next competition for UMD was the No. 16 ranked Hillsdale College, and they took the win handily in three games.

Wyffels led the Dogs with 12 kills, and freshman setter Eleena Iisakka had 84 set assists to help lead Duluth in their two victories.

Day two of the tournament started off with a close match against Mercyhurst that took four games to decide the victor.

Johnson led the team in kills yet again with 13, along with senior captain Clairmont and fellow freshman April Hansen who contributed 11 apiece.

"It's really exciting to be performing well in our first tournament of the season and to be undefeated is too," said Hansen.

The afternoon session was against tournament host Ferris State, and

with the Bulldogs 3-0 in the tournament, they were set to defeat Ferris State.

The Bulldogs would not be denied and sealed the deal as tournament champions.

Clairmont led the team in kills in the final match with 14 according to the UMD Web site.

Clairmont was joined by Hansen and Johnson to make up the all-around tournament team.

"As a first-year player, I have gained so much more knowledge for the game and better skills training here, but my success is mostly to the credit of the team, because we always have each others' backs, whether we win or lose," said Hansen.

Duluth will play again next weekend in Colorado Springs on Sept. 5-6, according to the UMD Web site.



"It's really exciting to be performing well in our first tournament of the season and to be undefeated." — April Hansen

## Weekly Bulldog Rundown

BY ALI DRAVES  
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### SOCCER

The UMD soccer team 2008 debut ended in a loss last Thursday, as the University of Wisconsin-Parkside defeated the Bulldogs, 2-1, according to the UMD Web site.

Despite their loss, the Bulldogs trudged on to face a familiar foe, the St. Cloud State University (SCSU) Huskies, last Saturday in a non-conference game in Marquette, Mich.

UMD had previously beaten the Huskies in their last four appearances, receiving an overall 10-3-4 record against SCSU, according to the UMD Web site.

Mary Sertich scored for the Huskies in the first half, giving SCSU the lead, 1-0.

The Bulldogs struck back after junior forward Clare Dahmen scored at 49:17, tying the game at 1-1, according to the UMD Web site.

SCSU scored in the second half, with a much-needed goal from Krysten Flynn-Wallace.

The Bulldog's luck against the Huskies had run out, with SCSU winning, 2-1.

UMD also faced the Bemidji State Beavers last weekend, losing in overtime, 2-1.

Sophomore Becky Anderson had the lone goal for UMD, scoring at 87:01.

The Bulldog's home opener is scheduled for Thursday, Sep. 4 at 5:30 p.m. at James S. Malosky Stadium.

### FOOTBALL

In a 40-0 road victory against Concordia University, the Bulldog football team traveled to St. Paul last weekend, in hopes for a win.

They got one.

Last Saturday night, the Bulldog's crushed the Concordia Golden Bears, 40-0.

In the first, freshman D.J. Winfield caught a 15-yard pass from senior quarterback Ted Schlafke for a touchdown, according to the UMD Web site.

The Bulldogs struck again after junior Tyler Johnson intercepted a Golden Bear pass and ran 25-yards for the touchdown.

Winfield scored again in the second quarter with a 48-yard run. The score was 20-0.

Sophomore running back Brad Foss scored for the Bulldogs at 12:34 into the 3<sup>rd</sup>, with a 15-yard run, according to the UMD Web site.

Foss scored again on a 4-yard run with 19 seconds left in the quarter, giving UMD a substantial lead over Concordia, 33-0.

Like clockwork, the Bulldogs scored again in the final quarter, with an 8-yard run by sophomore Isaac Odum.

The final score was sweet, at 40-0.

The Bulldogs will face Missouri Western State University next weekend as they travel to St. Joseph, MO. for a non-conference game.

## Meet the team



Clockwise from top left:  
Sarah Wyffels,  
Hannah Johnson,  
Eleena Iisakka.